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SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT FROM TAIWAN

REF: PHNOM PENH 9590

1. DOD INFORMS US THAT IT HAS BEEN AND WILL CONTINUE PURCHASING SOME SERVICES SUCH AS EQUIPMENT OVERHAUL AND A LIMITED AMOUNT OF EQUIPMENT FROM TAIWAN. THE 65 MILLION FIGURE FOR 1974 IS A GOOD ESTIMATE, ALTHOUGH NO FIRM FIGURE FOR NEXT YEAR HAS BEEN DECIDED UPON.

2. SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT PROCURED IN TAIWAN ENTER INTO THE DOD SUPPLY SYSTEM AND ARE PRIMARILY USED TO SUPPORT USG OBJECTIVES IN EAST ASIA, INCLUDING CAMBODIAN MAP. FOR EXAMPLE, SOME OF THE M113'S AND MILITARY TRUCKS RECENTLY PROVIDED CAME FROM OVERHAUL FACILITIES IN TAIWAN. THE
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DECISION ON WHETHER TO USE TAIWAN OR OTHER SOURCES TO MEET

CAMBODIAN MAP REQUIREMENTS IS BASED ON WHICH SOURCE WILL PROVIDE THE MOST EXPEDITIOUS DELIVERY.

3. SUGGEST YOU DRAW ON ABOVE IN REPLYING TO THE MARSHALL, STRESSING THAT TAIWAN ALREADY IS A SOURCE OF EQUIPMENT IN MEETING CAMBODIAN REQUIREMENTS AND WILL CONTINUE TO BE ONE WHEN IT IS BEST AVAILABLE SOURCE. RUSH

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